Montevallo, Mo.

Jan. 30, at home. I left my home, August 22, 1888, for Knox Co., Ohio. Landed at Ankenytown on the 24th, and was greeted by many kind friends and relatives. This place seemed to me like my old sweet home, known as the Owl Creek church, where I was baptized into Christ by Eld. John Multzbaugh, at the age of 22 years, and was chosen as deacon at 24, and appointed as a minister at about 38 years, and in A. D. 1858, the church was divided by some radical elders, and we, so called Leedy brethren, by way of contempt, constituted a part of the congregation, known as the Owl Creek church, without any reorganization. We considered it folly to attempt to reorganize the church of Christ, that is built upon the rock, so that the gates of hell can not prevail against it. And we practiced the ordinances as delivered unto us by Christ Jesus. We celebrated the Lord's supper according to the command of the Lord, a priest according to the order of Melchisedec. We understand the Lord's supper to be the communion and the feast and to be kept with unleavened bread, because Christ our passover being sacrificed for us. All the old unleaven should be purged out and being a new lump, the unleavened bread is a symbol of our pure hearts, and no ceremonial salutation connected with the celebration, no interval between the eating of the supper and partaking of the symbols. We understand the service pertaining to the Lord's supper as a general rule is official.

The reciprocal service pertaining to the washing of another's feet seems to conflict with the example of our Lord and the refusal of Peter to have his feet washed and consequently no part with the Master, was not predicated on the design of the act, but the very act itself. The injunction is not that we all must wash feet but all have our feet washed the same as baptism; we are all baptized into one body. But do not all administer baptism. We do not all have the same office. The officials have official functions to perform.

We want to be understood that we claim to be members of the same body that we were before there was any division. We never were baptized into any sectarian body, but into Christ, and our aim is to walk in the glorious light of the gospel and to have fellowship with all that are regenerated, regardless of sect.

As it regards the imposition of hands, to impart gifts and the healing of the sick, and the taking up of serpents, and drinking of any deadly thing and not to hurt, we admit we lack in having the power delegated to us and do not desire to exercise or practice the same in any form. But says one you must have faith. But if that power is not given unto us we cannot perform those miracles. We do not consider that it is required at present to perform miracles. The gospel was confirmed by these things.

Jesus said to the Father, 'I have finished the work thou (Father) gavest me to do.' Jesus begun his work soon after he was annointed to preach the gospel, and called disciples and out of the number he ordained twelve and set them in the church, and sent them to preach the gospel and telling the people the kingdom of heaven is at hand. Brethren, permit me to say a few words relative to the kingdom. Is it any nearer than it was at the time Christ taught his disciples to pray for Thy kingdom to come? If the apostles prayed for the kingdom to come, and many brethren prayed twice a day for that kingdom to come, for God's will to be done, and the Father sent his Son to do his will, and he said, I have finished the work, was the will done in his kingdom, that was near at hand when he began to preach? Now brethren, we want you to consider this matter for a moment for fear you might bring reproach upon the cause of Christ and his holy apostles. We say that it the will of the Lord was not done when Christ and his apostles were on earth it never will be done.

We say that each congregation ought to be under the supervision of elders, and any charge brought against a member should be sustained by two or three witnesses, and the law (gospel) applied to each case by brethren of blameless character and sound mind.

I remained with the brethren for quite a length of time at Ankenytown and was treated with kindness, and during the time I was with our much esteemed Bro. W. J. H. Bauman. He remained with the brethren at Ankenytown and North Liberty and labored among them about two weeks, preaching many edifying and practical sermons; and we were also met by our much beloved A. L. Garber, and had another opportunity to be seated together in the sanctuary. We were co..laborers in former years. We spent a number of happy hours with Eld. Isaac Leedy during our visit, with whom we labored in the gospel for many years. We had the pleasure of spending many pleasant moments with brethren Joseph, David and Aaron Leedy and their kind families, and with my sister Dyer and her kind family, and receiving treatment under the supervision of Dr. Dyer.

On Sunday evening at the close of our meetings, Bro. Bauman gave the brethren an affectionate farewell address, and we had to take the parting hand with tears for the last time. At this place Bro. Bauman made many warm friends during his stay, and the church and others were built up and much edified by his logical and practical discourses, delivered during the meetings.

We will now conclude by asking all the brethren and sisters to pray for your aged and afflicted servant. This may be the last article that will ever appear in the press written with his hand. He is afflicted with cancer. Now brethren, we commend you to God and the reward of his grace.

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